

Dr. Jonas Salk's polio vaccine is just one of the more famous breakthroughs that would not have been possible without March of Dimes research funding. And, without people like Chuck Dharte the job of protecting babies would be that much more difficult.

I applaud the southeast Michigan chapter of the March of Dimes and Chuck Dharte for their leadership, advocacy, and community service. I know that Chuck is honored by the recognition and I urge my colleagues to join me in saluting him as a 1997 recipient of the Alexander Macomb Citizen of the Year Award.

ACR GOLD MEDALIST JAMES M.
MOOREFIELD, M.D.

HON. FORTNEY PETE STARK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 3, 1997

Mr. STARK. Mr. Speaker, the issue of providing universal access to health care for our citizens has been a major goal of every Member of Congress. Over the past 32 years we as a body have enacted many changes to achieve this goal for the Nation. In those efforts, many in the private sector have worked with us to develop responsible health legislation.

Dr. James M. Moorefield, a radiologist from California is a private sector physician leader who came to us in Congress to offer a solution to physician payment under Medicare. As a result the physician RBRVS was adopted and Dr. Moorefield, as chairman of the board of chancellors of the American College of Radiology, worked tirelessly with us to achieve that milestone.

In recognition for that leadership and his many other contributions to radiology, medicine, and America's health care system, the American College of Radiology will award him the ACR Gold Medal in Atlanta, GA, at its annual meeting September 6–10, 1997.

The ACR, in announcing his award of the prestigious gold medal, published the following comments by Christopher M. Rose, M.D. and Frederick R. Margolin, M.D. in the ACR Bulletin:

Jim Moorefield is a tireless leader in the field of radiology. Few people have made a commitment to our specialty that has been as complete or as longstanding as his. The tracks of his dedication to radiology and medicine reach from the halls of his hospital to the halls of Congress. He has served us on a local, state, and national level with distinction deserving our highest honor.

After attending Georgetown University, Dr. Moorefield received his medical training in his native New York at the State University of New York. He went on to serve as a medical officer in the U.S. Navy before his radiology residency at the University of California, San Francisco. In 1969 he entered private practice in Sacramento.

Dr. Moorefield's local and state involvement provided him his first opportunities to distinguish himself in the politics of medicine. As a delegate to the state medical society, he became an outspoken opponent of self-referral, winning him much respect, if not many friends, among the self-referrers.

His College activities began with committee and commission service, and he served as a councilor from California. After the College successfully defeated the RAPs legislation in 1987, Dr. Moorefield was picked to

lead the arduous task of pulling members and staff together to develop a radiology relative value that could be used by Medicare. The system he created was copied and is still used by the AMA to set relative values recommended to HCFA for Medicare. He worked to convince Congress and HCFA to accept it, and thus helped preserve the right of the radiology profession to establish its own guidelines and definitions.

Dr. Moorefield went on to serve as vice-chairman and chairman of the ACR Board of Chancellors and as ACR president. It is particularly noteworthy that during the past 25 years, he has been in the full-time private practice of radiology. During most of his years of service to the College, he also served as president of his group. The time that he has unselfishly devoted to advance our interests as radiologists has been extracted at some measure of personal cost.

Dr. Moorefield is an articulate and effective representative of our specialty. He is a wonderful person with a fine sense of humor, a great collegiality, and fine perceptive power of people, ideas, and future trends. He is blessed with enormous stamina and a will designed to test that strength. He has used all his talents in the pursuit of the betterment of his colleagues and the College. The ACR and the profession of radiology are stronger for his efforts.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in extending our congratulations to Dr. Moorefield for this honor and thank him for the leadership and direction he provided the Congress as we deliberated our Nation's health care issues.

BRIG. GEN. JAMES W. BODDIE, 30
YEARS OF HONOR, DUTY, AND
SERVICE

HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 3, 1997

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to pay tribute to Brig. Gen. James W. Boddie who is retiring after 30 years of honorable and decorated service in the U.S. Army. On September 4, General Boddie will be stepping down as commander of the Army Armament Research, Development and Engineering Center [ARDEC] at Picatinny Arsenal in Dover, NJ, after a distinguished 3-year tenure.

Born in Augusta, GA, on July 6, 1945, General Boddie attended the University of Georgia and in 1967 graduated with a bachelor of science degree in forestry. Following graduation, he was commissioned a second lieutenant through the Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps. For his service overseas in combat in Vietnam and with the 7th Army in Germany, Boddie was awarded the Legion of Merit (with Oak Leaf Cluster), Bronze Star Medal (with "V" device, two Oak Leaf Clusters), Meritorious Service Medal, four Air Medals, and the Army Commendation Medal (with one Oak Leaf Cluster).

General James Boddie developed his expertise in ordnance and munitions, in great part, through his years of service in various positions with the 59th Ordnance Brigade of the U.S. 7th Army in Europe. Subsequently, he served as the Commandant of the U.S. Army Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School. Before assuming his final post commanding ARDEC, General Boddie was Deputy

Commanding General for Procurement and Readiness, U.S. Army Armament Munitions and Chemical Command at Rock Island in Illinois.

During his service at Picatinny Arsenal, General Boddie distinguished himself as perhaps the most accomplished commander in ARDEC's history. As commander, he was responsible for managing 4,000 employees and more than 1,000 projects that constitute 90 percent of the Army's lethal power. Although he served during a period of defense downsizing, shrinking Army budgets and base closures, General Boddie and the employees at Picatinny Arsenal were recognized by the Pentagon and the Vice President of the United States as the premier military base in the Nation when in 1996 ARDEC received the quality "Triple Crown."

This unprecedented honor consisted of three highly prestigious awards for achievement, including the Research and Development Organization of the Year Award, the Army Communities of Excellence Award—for the best Army installation in the world—and the most acclaimed Presidential Award for Quality, the equivalent of the Malcolm Baldrige Award, which was presented to General Boddie by Vice President AL GORE. The Triple Crown only acknowledged what I have known for years, that the people of Picatinny Arsenal are recognized the world over as the experts in munitions technology.

Mr. Speaker, I want to again commend General James W. Boddie for his dedicated service to the American people in the U.S. Army. He leaves his post and the institution that became his life with my complete confidence in his abilities. General Boddie's guiding hand at Picatinny will surely be missed. I wish him and his wife, Shirl, all the best in the years to come.

MISSION VIEJO LITTLE LEAGUE

HON. RON PACKARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 3, 1997

Mr. PACKARD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments of the Mission Viejo, CA. Little League baseball team, who recently represented the United States in the Little League World Series championship game. The boys from Mission Viejo rose to the top in a field of 7,000 Little League teams from around the world.

On Saturday, August 23, 1997, these boys showed the world something that people from our community already know: that through hard work, dedication, and community support, our kids can put their dreams within reach. I commend the efforts of the parents, coaches, and many citizens who have supported the Mission Viejo Little League team. They have set a wonderful example for communities across the Nation.

There is nothing more worthy of our time than supporting community activities that teach our children the values of hard work and dedication. Successful community athletic programs not only provide our children with enjoyable recreation, they bring us together as parents and neighbors.

Our community takes great pride in what these boys have achieved, but the endless

contribution of parents and citizens in supporting these activities year after year should not go unnoticed. The patience and longstanding commitment of an entire community may not always pay off at the plate, but in the life of a child, it is truly a Home Run.

Mr. Speaker, the scoreboard at the end of the game may not have shown it, but these boys are true champions. Our community is proud of their accomplishments and I am honored to request that their names be inserted into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD in recognition of their achievement.

Team members: Adam Sorgi, Chad Lucas, Gary Gattis, Gavin Fabin, Ryan O'Donovan, Taylor Bennett, Mike Cusick, Nick Moore, Andrew Nieves, Adam Elconin, Brian Kraker, Ashton While, and Greg Oates.

TRIBUTE TO THE WARRINGTON
ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 11 AND
12 YEAR OLD GIRLS SOFTBALL
TEAM

HON. JAMES C. GREENWOOD

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 3, 1997

Mr. GREENWOOD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the players and coaches of the Warrington Athletic Association Girls Softball Team which came in second this year in the Little League Softball World Series. These 11 and 12 year olds and their coaches worked extremely hard and exhibited outstanding team work first as champions of the Pennsylvania District 30 competition, then to the Pennsylvania State Championship, to become U.S. Eastern Regional Little League Champions. As the East champs they played the West and Central champs and the team from Latin America. The final challenge was two games against the Southern U.S. champions. The Warrington team won the first of those games in a come-from-behind contest. It was only at the very end that they were defeated by the South in the second game, and emerged as second in the world of Little League Girls softball. Second in the world is an outstanding accomplishment and I am proud to bring this team to the attention of this House. I extend them warm congratulations and the best of luck as they continue to play together.

Team members: Jamie Ahrens, Heather Bloemker, Katie Crawford, Kimberly Garrano, Ashley Kelly, Nicole McLearn, Linda Secka, Kip Crawford, Maryann Scarpill, Christine Alff, Jaci Borsos, Noel Darreff, Lauren Homa, Allison Morris, Jess Rankin, Cindy Spiecker, coach, John Rankin, and manager, Joe Spiecker.

INTRODUCTION OF THE INTERNET
GAMBLING PROHIBITION ACT OF
1997

HON. BOB GOODLATTE

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 3, 1997

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce the Internet Gambling Prohibition Act of 1997, along with my good friend and

colleague from New Jersey, Representative FRANK LOBIONDO (R-NJ). I look forward to my friend from New Jersey in seeing this legislation signed into law. I would also like to thank my friend in the other Chamber, Senator JON KYL (R-AZ); for his leadership on this issue. The legislation that Mr. LOBIONDO and I are introducing today is intended to be the House counterpart to Senator KYL's bill, S. 474, and I am looking forward to working with Senator KYL on this issue as well.

The Internet is a revolutionary tool that dramatically affects the way we communicate, conduct business, and access information. As it knows no boundaries, the Internet is accessed by folks in rural and urban areas alike, in large countries as well as small. The Internet is currently expanding by leaps and bounds; however, it has not yet come close to reaching its true potential as a medium for commerce and communication.

One of the main reasons that the Internet has not reached this potential is that many folks view it as a wild technological frontier, with no safeguards to protect children and no legal infrastructure to prevent online criminal activity. The ability of the World Wide Web to penetrate every home and community across the globe has both positive and negative implications—while it can be an invaluable source of information and means of communication, it can also override community values and standards, subjecting them to whatever more may or may not be found online. In short, the Internet is a challenge to the sovereignty of civilized communities, States, and nations to decide what is appropriate and decent behavior.

Gambling is an excellent example of this situation. It is illegal unless regulated by the States. With the development of the Internet, however, prohibitions and regulations governing gambling have been turned on their head. No longer do people have to leave the comfort of their homes and make the affirmative decision to travel to a casino—they can access the casino from their living rooms.

The legislation I am introducing today will protect the right of citizens in each State to decide through their State legislatures if they want to allow gambling within their borders and not have that right taken away by offshore, fly-by-night operators. The Internet Gambling Prohibition Act gives law enforcement the tools it needs to crack down on illegal Internet gamblers by accomplishing three main goals: First, providing that anyone convicted of running an Internet gambling business is liable for a substantial fine and up to 4 years in prison; second, subjecting those who place bets or wagers with virtual casinos to a fine and up to 6 months in prison; and third, giving law enforcement the ability to request cessation of service to Web sites engaging in illegal gambling, with enforcement by court order if necessary. Additionally, the bill requires the Attorney General to submit a report to Congress on the effectiveness of its provisions.

This legislation is supported by organizations across the spectrum, from Ralph Reed to Ralph Nader, and from the National Coalition Against Legalized Gambling to the American Gaming Association. Additional supporter are the National Association of Attorneys General and the National Football League.

It is also important to note that this legislation does not preempt any State laws, does

not cover online new reporting about gambling, and does not apply to transactions that are legal in both the State in which they originate and the State in which they are received. The bill simply brings the current prohibition against interstate gambling up to speed with the development of new technology, as the Internet had not been created when the original law was passed and thus is not covered by it.

Mr. Speaker, online gambling is currently a \$200 million per year business, and could easily grow to \$1 billion business in the next few years. It is time to shine a bright light on Internet gambling in this country, and to put a stop to this situation before it gets any worse. The Internet Gambling Prohibition Act, which will keep children from borrowing the family credit card, logging on to the family computer, and losing thousands of dollars all before their parents get home from work, will do just that. I urge each of my colleagues to support the Internet Gambling Prohibition Act of 1997.

TRIBUTE TO PASQUALE AND
THERESA ARGENTO

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 3, 1997

Ms. DeLAURO. Mr. Speaker, on September 1, 1997, my good friends, Pasquale and Theresa Argento, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. It gives me great pleasure to wish them my very warmest congratulations on this truly special occasion.

I have known both Theresa and Pat for years and I am so pleased to have this opportunity to talk about how much this couple has given to their family and to the New Haven community. Theresa and Pat are lifelong residents of New Haven and met when both their families lived on Chapel Street near Wooster Square. As almost no one else I've ever known, the Argentos have carried on the Wooster Square traditions.

Theresa is president of the St. Andrew's Ladies Society and cochairs the annual St. Andrew's Feast. The feast is one of my wonderful memories of friends and family. St. Andrew's keeps the strong feeling of community alive and Theresa has to be given credit for the hard work she does every year to organize it. She devotes an extraordinary amount of time and her efforts assure its success every year.

Although the New Haven community is their home, Theresa and Pat have not forgotten their Italian heritage. Theresa has done amazing work with the sister cities project which sponsors exchanges with New Haven's sister city of Amalfi, Italy. Promoting the exchange of students, knowledge, and culture, Theresa has ensured that the New Haven descendants of Amalfi will not forget their roots. Because of her work, my step-son, Jonathon, will always remember his time in Amalfi.

Pat and Theresa have spent a lifetime working hard for their family. Their devotion to their two wonderful children, Frances and Antoinette, and their four grandchildren, Evelyn, Robert, Alison, and Jessica, is a testament to their love for each other.

It gives me great pleasure to rise today on behalf of the Argentos. I am grateful to them